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The following units marched past, given below in their order of appearance:

- a. 400 officer candidates of the Shender Bey School marched first.
 - b. One infantry regiment of 1 Division and one infantry regiment of the People's Security Division.
 - c. One battalion of 5 Division which had arrived from Gjinokaster, and another battalion of 5 Division which came from Korca.
 - d. The artillery; there were 24 field guns drawn by 6-wheel automobiles, 12 anti-tank guns, 12 anti-aircraft guns (4 of which were of large diameter), 12 heavy mortars drawn by horses, 24 heavy cannons also drawn by 6-wheel automobiles.
 - e. The mountain artillery; the number of pieces of artillery in this group was not ascertained.
 - f. One unit of engineers and communications; the last unit consisted of 50 motor-cyclists and 12 automobiles with wireless sets.
 - g. A group of 12 tanks, which had been given to Albania by Yugoslavia (sic).
 - h. At the end of the parade came the special guard battalion of Eliver Hoxha.
2. On the day before the parade automobiles with loudspeakers moved through Tisana calling the people to attend the parade on the following day. No airplanes flew over the city on the day of the parade.

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